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Sir:

On October 14, 2003, Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement in the above-captioned matter.

Applicant notes that the initialed PTO-1449 form has never been returned. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner forward an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form.

For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant is submitting herewith a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2003 (and the documents cited therein), a copy of the Form PTO-1449 filed therewith, and a copy of the date-stamped mailroom receipt evidencing the filing of the same.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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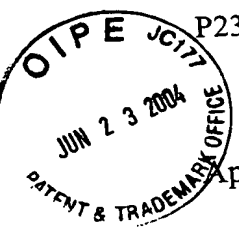
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98,

Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 6-203940, published on July 22, 1994,
together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 7-169544, published on July 4, 1995,
together with an English language Abstract of the same.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a

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copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/187,992 to MAEGAWA, entitled "Cable Reel", filed on July 3, 2002; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/190,532 to MAEGAWA, entitled "Cable Reel", filed on July 9, 2002.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are attached hereto. However, the Examiner is also requested to review the file wrapper of this U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the references of record, if any, cited therein.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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